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Pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure 37 CFR Section 1.56, enclosed is a completed form PTOL-1449 as well as copies of the cited documents which relate to the above-referenced patent application. Since this document submittal is being presented prior to the first examination on the merits, no fee is due herewith.

European Patent Application number 0 376 153 A2 discloses a fixed and pre-arranged housing for an umbrella inside a vehicle to prevent the umbrella from moving, thus creating a danger or wetting the car.

Japanese Patent Application number 56050812 discloses an umbrella container buried in car door.

Japanese Patent Application number 01317844A discloses a an umbrella storage case and conduit pipe to lead water outside a car through the gap of the lower part of the door.

Japanese Patent Application number 08072622 A discloses a space for storing a wet umbrella in the interior of the car safely and without getting the interior wet.

Japanese Patent Application number 10016651 A discloses an umbrella case that is installed on the inside of a motor vehicle door.

Japanese Patent Application number 2001063636 A discloses an umbrella storage case and opener in the hollow part of a side spoiler mounted on a side sill of the lower part of a motor vehicle.

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Japanese Patent Application number 2002087171 A discloses an umbrella storage structure that conducts, and/or stores water outside of the motor vehicle through a one-way outlet.

Japanese Patent Application number 2002104046 A discloses an umbrella containing device for a vehicle that allows convenient storage and access to the umbrella without wetting the vehicle.

The listed documents are brought to the Examiner's attention because they are known to the applicant and/or the applicant's attorney and may be considered by the Examiner to be material to his/her examination. This listing should not be construed as representation that a search has been made or that no better art exists. No inference should be made that the documents are in fact material merely because they are referenced herein. Moreover, no representation is made that the brief descriptions, if any, of the references necessarily describe the most material aspects of the references. Further, by this listing, the applicant is not making any admission regarding the relative dates of the invention and listed disclosures.

Respectfully submitted,

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